

PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4690, THE DEPARTMENTS
OF COMMERCE, JUSTICE, AND STATE, THE JUDICIARY AND RELATED
AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2001

JUNE 21 (legislative day, JUNE 20), 2000.—Referred to the House Calendar and
ordered to be printed

Mr. SESSIONS, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 529]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House
Resolution 529, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House
with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 4690, the
Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary and
Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, under an open rule.
The rule provides one hour of general debate divided equally be-
tween the chairman and ranking minority member of the Com-
mittee on Appropriations. The rule provides that the bill shall be
considered for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives all points
of order against consideration of the bill. The rule waives points of
order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause
2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in
a general appropriations bill or prohibiting reappropriations in a
general appropriations bill), except as specified in the rule.

The rule authorizes the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole
to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted
their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule permits
the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes
during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five
minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen
minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit,
with or without instructions.

The waiver of all points of order includes a waiver of clause 4 of
rule XIII (requiring a three-day layover of a committee report)

which is necessary because the report was filed on Monday, June 19th and H.R. 4690 may be considered on the floor as early as Wednesday, June 21st. A waiver of clause 2 of rule XXI is also necessary because the bill contains at least 30 legislative provisions and over 60 unauthorized programs in the bill, which are detailed in the Appropriations Committee's report (H. Rept. 106-680).

